

REMARKS - General

The examiner has identified the disclosure of eleven species in the application and has requested election of a single species. During a telephone conversation with the examiner on January 6, 2005, a provisional election of Species I (squeeze actuated dispenser) corresponding to amended claims 28-31 and 36-46 was made by the applicant. This election is hereby affirmed in writing by the applicant.

The last office action attached figures 3a, 3b, 6a, 6b, 23, 24, and 25 to Species I, now elected. The newly-drafted claims reflect embodiments addressed by these figures.

Claims Rejection Under § 102

Claims 28, 31, 36, 37, 40, and 44 were rejected under § 102(b) as being anticipated by Villaveces. Claim 28 has been rewritten as new claim 47 to distinguish separate inlet and outlet flow control functionality not anticipated by Villaveces.

Claims Rejection Under § 103

Claims 29, 30, 38, and 45 were rejected under § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Villaveces in view of Gortz. Claim 29 corresponds to new claim 48. This claim in concert with its parent claim 47, overcome this rejection. Given that Gortz teaches a device in which the prestressed bladder is the prime mover in dispensing, a single valve is employed for flow control. In contrast, the present invention uses air as a working fluid with segregated air and hand treatment volumes having flow to or from these volumes separately controlled by different valves.

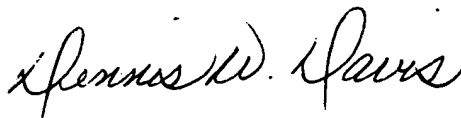
CONCLUSION

For the above reasons, applicants submit that the specification and claims are now in proper form, and that the claims define patentably over the prior art. Therefore they submit that this application is now in condition for allowance, which action they respectfully solicit.

Very respectfully,



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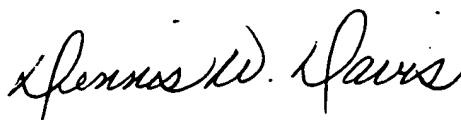
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